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## Newsletter

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### Thanks

... to those who supported our year 4 to 6 summer sports teams this week.  
.. to those who helped in any way whatsoever with last week's gala day - a huge success because so many people got behind it.

### People of the week

... Lisa Jones who organised a truly memorable gala day.  
.. Those who have taken on the extra workload and signed up for the International schools English and Mathematics Competitions ... we will be entering these children next week .. the period for expression of interest has now closed.

### Term calendar

2 April	Final day of term
20 April	First day of term 2

### Poppies

Will be on sale at school week beginning 20 April (first day of term 2)

### School Contributions

If you have not paid your term 1 contribution (or maths whizz or spelling subscription) please get this to school by the end of term or contact Helen to make alternative arrangements for payment. Thank you.

### Public Health Nurse .. forthcoming vaccinations

... Any questions to Mrs Donaldson please. The girl's first HPV vaccination takes place this coming Monday.

### Consultation on the Health Curriculum

Schools are required to consult with their community on the delivery of the Health Curriculum. At 3:15 PM, on Thursday 26 March, a meeting will be held in the library. At this meeting key staff will share plans for this year, discuss regular units of work, answer questions and take feedback. All interested parents are invited to attend.

### Wednesday Lunches

Many thanks to your huge response in helping us eliminate any loss from the Gala Day. On Wednesday we sold out of American Hot Dogs and Ice blocks. We still have, for a limited time, the Bacon and Cheese filled Muffin Splits in addition to Sausages available on a Wednesday. Please send money on Wednesday morning at your discretion.

Sausages with Bread and Sauce	\$1.50
Muffin Split	\$3.00

Bacon and Cheese filled

### **Headlice Inspections**

Parents are asked to check their children's hair weekly please.

### **ANZAC Day Dawn Parade - (April 25<sup>th</sup>)**

Whilst this is a completely optional event, members of our school council and senior students will be involved in the 2015 Dawn Parade. Mrs Sinclair (and maybe Mr D) will be meeting in Alexander Street (opposite the RSA) at 5.30am. Parents and students are more than welcome to join us for this special morning. We request that students wear their Matarau School T-Shirt (if they have one).

### **IT - appropriate use of devices**

Parents will recall countersigning our digital technology "Respect and Protect" Responsible Use Policy. We all have a responsibility to support children to become responsible digital citizens, accordingly, we will be reminding children next week that devices are not to be used before or after school (until they arrive home) or during breaks (without the express consent of a staff member). We know from your feedback that you want this too. Children who use their devices during these times will forfeit their device for a day (additional days if multiple breaches) and pick it up the next day. Parents are always welcome to pick up confiscated devices, but we hope you will help us to drive the message home. We are excited at what we are seeing as a result of improved access to devices, and look forward to sharing this with you down the track. We remain hugely grateful that so many people have got on board.

### **Netball Permission Slips**

Please return your Netball Permission Slips ASAP. We have not yet reached our required numbers to register an intermediate team. If you are interested in playing Yr 7 & Yr 8 netball, please collect a permission slip from the office.

### **Scholastic Issue 2** - Orders are now closed.

### **Finally**

Thank you again for supporting our gala day. The school raised \$11,000 and, as promised, this will be directed straight to the classrooms. We very much appreciate your generous contributions to this fund raising effort.

Regards  
Kevin Trehwella  
PRINCIPAL

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children, please support them



### **Community Notices**

**For Sale** – Sectional Garage doors x 2 – Green colour steel with Merlin Prolift 230T Overhead door openers 2.870wx 2.100L, \$1000 ono each. Ph Colin on 0220896743

**For Sale** – Girl Guide Biscuits for sale. Plain, Chocolate and Chocolate minis all packets \$3.50 each. Please contact Vanessa Bradley 0211093845 if you wish to purchase some.

**Ray White Allens Kid's Triathlon** – Sun 22 March 2015. Entry forms available ray White Allens offices, Sport Northland, and most schools or register online [rwwhangare.co.nz](http://rwwhangare.co.nz).

**Kamo Junior Rugby** is looking forward to the 2015 season and is looking for all existing & any new players to register online, [Sportsground.co.nz/](http://Sportsground.co.nz/) kamorsc/Kamo Rugby & Squash Club/2015 NZRU Registration Form – then fill in this registration form or at the club day on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March. You will be contacted by your coach on the week of the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March. The first game is 2<sup>nd</sup> of May with the final game on the 29<sup>th</sup> August (16 games). For more info please txt Murray Mortimer on 029 7525970

ASB Holiday Fun Football for children aged 6-11, Tikipunga Sports Park, 2<sup>nd</sup> week of school holidays Monday to Friday 13th to 17th April, 13th to 17th July, 5th to 9th October 9.30am to 12.30pm, \$24 per session or \$96 for the week. BYO boots, shin pads, full water bottle, morning tea, rain jacket and warm clothes. Kensington Stadium Terms 2, 3 and 4 Term 2 - Tuesday 21st April to 23rd June (no session 2nd June) Term 3 - Tuesday 21st July to 15th Sept (no sessions 28/7 and 4/8) Term 4 - Tuesday 13 October to 8th Dec (no session 17th Nov) Tuesdays 3.40pm for 4-6 year olds (40 mins) 4.30pm for 7-8 year olds (50 mins) \$48 for the 8 week block Term 3 - \$42 only 7 sessions Shoes suitable for indoor use. Full water bottle.

Hurupaki Educare - April School Holiday Programme 2015 - We are opening on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April, 8.00am to 5.30pm, based in the Hurupaki School Hall, Dip Road, Kamo. Activities include a trip to MYbounce - trampolines, movies, WAGs, wheels day, trip to Hurupaki along with other action packed days. The programme is OSCAR accredited, families can apply for WINZ assistance – conditions apply. Discounts available for two or more children from the one family. To view and download forms go to [www.schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz](http://www.schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz) or contract Christin on 0274-821331 or [info@schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz](mailto:info@schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz) for more information.

Hockey Hockey Hockey Hockey Hockey Hockey Hockey Hockey Hockey Hockey Hockey Hockey Hockey - Interested in playing hockey? Have a few laughs while you run around hitting the ball sound fun to you. If the answer is Yes, ring us. The Hikurangi Div 2 womans hockey team need players this year. Phone Megan McBride 027 787 1086 or Sue Mehrtens 021 834570

### **\$20 Family Portrait fundraiser with photographer KERRI VERNON** for Reumah Horne (past student of Matarau School)

Reumah is in Chile on a 12 month ROTARY student exchange for her final year of school.

Date: Saturday April 25th 9am - 5pm

Venue: Whau Valley School Theatre

Pick up and viewing date: Saturday 2nd May. Also available to order online.

\$20 will entitle you to one free A4 FAMILY portrait and a 15 minute professional photo sitting

\$20 goes directly to Reumah's exchange fund

Please contact Trish on 021843100, via FB or email [trish\\_reumah@hotmail.com](mailto:trish_reumah@hotmail.com)

Include your name and preferred time for sitting. Limited sittings. Payment of \$20 to be received by 17 April to confirm booking.





# Matarau School Gala 2015



I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who supported our School Gala.

To everyone who donated gala items to sell, spent hours sorting all these items, those who donated grocery items, donated home baking, turned up on the day for set up, worked throughout the day, helped clean up, everyone who spread the word about our special day and to those who turned up to enjoy the day, thank you all so very much.

A huge big thank you to Donna McKenzie for coordinating the Kids Zone and to our teachers, staff and our Whanau Group who went above and beyond to coordinate their stalls and work hard on the day. To the lovely ladies who brought along their ponies and spent all day providing rides and to the ex students who came to help out, and to our talented buskers, thank you. To Mr Trewhella for your ongoing support and the confidence you had in us all to pull this off, thanks!

It was definitely a team effort and a credit to you all for the important part you contributed to make it such a great, fun day.

A big shout out to all our sponsors who donated services and products to support our Gala. Please support our sponsors and if you get the chance thank them for their support of our Gala.

To date it looks like we have fundraised approximately \$11,000 (after expenses).

Congratulations everyone!

Lisa Jones